

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 4 through 8, 10 through 20, and 23 through 28 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claim 21, and add Claims 29 through 33 as follows:

1 - 20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) ~~A device~~ An optical apparatus comprising a ~~portion of an image stabilizer for a variable magnification lens, comprising: variable magnification optical system and~~ a first diaphragm disposed in an optical path of for limiting a light flux passing through said variable magnification lens, and optical system, and having an image shake correcting function.

~~control means for controlling said first diaphragm to cause said first diaphragm to limit an on-axial light flux when said variable magnification lens is on a telephoto side;~~

wherein ~~said control means provides a control to make the~~ a full-open aperture diameter of said diaphragm at a telephoto end during an operation of the image shake correcting function is smaller than a full-open aperture diameter of said diaphragm at a wide-angle end during an operation of the image shake correcting function ~~when said variable magnification lens is on a telephoto side.~~

22 - 28. (Cancelled)

29. (New) An optical apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein said diaphragm limits an on-axial light flux at the telephoto end.

30. (New) An optical apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein the image shake correcting function is an electrical image shake correction function.

31. (New) An optical apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein the image shake correcting function is an optical image shake correcting function.

32. (New) An optical apparatus according to Claim 31, wherein said variable magnification optical system comprises a variator lens unit for performing variable magnification and an image-shake correcting lens unit that is arranged at the image plane side with respect to said variator lens unit and can be shifted perpendicularly to an optical axis.

33. (New) An optical apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein the limitation of the full-open aperture diameter of said diaphragm is removed when the image shake correcting function is not performed.